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MONESSEN COLORED MAN IS ARRESTED ON MURDER CHARGE

Claimed He Is One Who Committed Fiendish Deed Of Two Years Ago.

LITTLE CHILD ATTACKED

Annie Hertrick, Was The Innocent Victim Of Brutal Crime.

This afternoon before Justice A. N. Shuster of Monessen, Melvin Pearson, a colored man charged with the murder of little Annie Hertrick, near Monessen in the fall of 1907 is being given a hearing. The man was arrested yesterday afternoon in Monessen by Constable David Mathers of North Charleroi who has been working on the case. If there is enough evidence against the man the only thing that can be done is hold him for a court trial. Yesterday afternoon Mr. Mathers went to Monessen and secured his man. He made information before Justice A. N. Shuster.

Mr. Mathers claims he has some strong evidence against the man, and will prosecute the case vigorously. Among other things which Mr. Mathers claims he has to prove the guilt of the man is a blood stained penknife said to have been found near the scene of the murder. He also states that he has an eye witness who was near when the fiendish deed was perpetrated. The knife has the initials M. P. on it. There is a reward of $1500 out for the capture and conviction of the murderer.

The murder was one of the most brutal deeds ever heard of in this section. While the little girl, who was only about 12 years of age, was on her way to bring the cows home for the evening she was attacked by some fiend, who after ravishing her left her to die on the hillside. She was found the next morning after an all night search. The terrible deed stirred up the entire community and the best of the country's detectives were put to work on the case, but could learn nothing. The case had practically been given up and the arrest yesterday only revives it.

IGNORES CHARGES OF LOCAL JUSTICE

Costs were placed on a justice of the peace by the grand jury yesterday, in the case of the Commonwealth vs. William H. Riggle. The case is one of more than ordinary interest and involves some queer twists and turns. Riggle, who was a detective, was charged with two counts of voluntarily permitting a prisoner to escape, and two counts of extortion. The grand jury ignored all charges.

The case grows out of a queer mix-up in Charleroi. Complainants went to the office of Justice E. E. Rice and told of being robbed. Papers were made out for the arrest of the suspects on charges of larceny. These papers did not contain the names of the complaints, but were given to Riggle to serve. He arrested the men, but the prosecutors never appeared.

Justice Rice alleged that Riggle let the men go after accepting $15, because the prosecutors did not put in an appearance.—Washington Record.

MONONGAHELA WINS THE FIRST

In a fast as well as rough game at the Charleroi rink last night the Monongahela Polo team defeated the Charleroi five in the first of a series of seven games for the purse of $500 a side. The score was 7 to 6.

Charleroi had the Monongahela boys played off their feet in the first period, and it looked as if the winners would not be—well, Monongahela. The game had not been well started until the locals had totaled two points. In the second period, neither team showed superior form, and the match was even. But in the third the Monongahelians got stronger, and secured enough goals to win.

In the Charleroi lineup last night there were two new players, Shaner and Means both of Beaver Falls. Both played well. The entire Charleroi team played well, but the bright and shining lights were perhaps Shinn and Barker. McVicker starred for Monongahela. Johnson for Charleroi and McMinn, for Monongahela played good games at goal. The lineup:

Monongahela—7.		Charleroi—6.
Keys	First Rush.	Shinn
Hoskins	Second Rush	Shaner
McVicker	Center.	Barker
Shebler	Halfbacks	Means
McMinn.	Goal	Johnson

Goals—Shaner 4, Barker 2, Hoskins 4, Keys 2, McVicker. Rushes—Keys 8, Shinn 6. Stops—Johnson 42, McMinn 32. Referee—Slater. Fouls—Charleroi—2.

REPORT OF MONEY RECEIVED FOR SUFFERERS

A report of the amount of subscriptions for the Italians suffering from the earthquake of a few weeks ago at Messina, and Calabra, is made today. This is from Frank Riva. It is as follows:

Amount of last balance	$395 00
Meli Giovanni	.50
Bonini Leone	1.00
Marchinetti Federico	1.00
Celaschi Quiro	1.00
Ablondi Vinenzo	.50
Marchinetti Filippo	.50
Marchinetti Angelo	.50
Carcelli Lorenzo	.50
Avri Giuliano	.25
Pesci Pietro	.25
Vecondi Corrino	.25
Zambelli Ercolino	.25
Zeroni Guilio	.25
Cash	.50
Total	$7.25
Donations left at the Bank of Charleroi	$15.00
Total to date	$402.25

Advance Sale Fot Graustark.

Seats will be placed on sale Saturday morning, Feb. 6th at 9 a. m. for Graustark. Geo. Barr McCutcheon's thrilling romantic play which will be presented here for the first time at the Monessen theatre, Thursday Feb. 11th. afternoon and night.

This is positively guaranteed by the management to be the same identical company and massive scenic production that recently played engagements in Philadelphia, Pittsburg, and other cities of the east.

The book has been widely read and judging by the interest displayed in the engagement a packed house is assured.

ELECTION OF THE MINOR OFFICIALS AT INDIANAPOLIS

It is stated that L. T. Lewis the one elected for President of the United Mine Workers, has received a majority of 16,000 votes over his opponent Mr. Walker. It was at first thought that Walker had the election by the opening of the ballots proved this to be a wrong impression. Yesterday officers were elected. They are as follows as shown by the figures of the official election board.

Auditors committeemen—John Mossop, Ohio; Harry Baker, Iowa, and Patrick Fitzsimmons, Pennsylvania.

T. J. LEWIS

Tellers—Wm. Young, Pennsylvania, and Arthur Blakely, Arkansas.

Delegates to American Federation of Labor—T. L. Lewis, Ohio; John Mitchell, Illinois; J. H. Walker, Illinois; W. B. Wilson, Pennsylvania; J. P. White, Iowa; G. W. Savage, Ohio and Frank W. Hayes, Illinois.

With this article is published the cut of Mr. Lewis the elected president of the Mine Workers. Mr. Lewis is an Ohio man, but was born in Pennsylvania. He is an experienced miner.

GRAND JURY HUSTLES THINGS

The grand jury work at Washington moved along rapidly yesterday the majority of the cases being of a minor nature. A large number of true bills were returned and a few ignored. An unusual spectacle in court yesterday afternoon was a husband and wife and little son all lined up in front of the bar. The child was not a defendant, but the father and mother were.

The defendants were James Barnedia and Maria Barnedia, both charged with selling liquor without license. They entered pleas of guilty. Under the old common law where the wife commits a crime under the coercion of her husband, the court permitted a stet to be entered in the case against her, upon her paying the costs and in the case against the husband he was sentenced to pay the costs, fine of $500 and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for three months. The defendants ran a boarding house at Canonsburg and the wife had sold beer to the boarders. Constable Miller was the private prosecutor.

Mike Alick, a foreigner and unable to understand English, entered a plea of guilty to the charge of obstructing the execution of a legal process and assault and battery. The trouble occurred at Ellsworth. There was trouble at one of the houses and when the officer went to make an arrest Alick interferred and went after the officer with a poker. Alick was sentenced to pay the costs, fine of $1 and undergo imprisonment in the workhouse for four months.

NEW BOILER PLANT TO BE INSTALLED

Workmen began on Tuesday to prepare foundations at the Gastonville power plant, preparatory to installing a new boiler plant, and a new 150 K. W. regenerator, with which to furnish additional power for Cincinnati and Coal Bluff mines. It was found that this addition was necessary on account of the large amount of power required to run the new fan recently installed at Mingo. Work on the improvement will be pushed with all speed, as both mines are badly in need of the additional power.

DIES FROM BURNS AFTER SUFFERING FOR SEVEN WEEKS

After suffering for about two months as the result of terrible burns, Miss Emma Drum, daughter of R. B. Drum, superintendent of the Vesta coal mine, succumbed yesterday. After the first two weeks it was believed the burns would prove fatal and it was only through a display of remarkable vitality that the young woman survived her injuries this long.

About seven weeks ago Miss Drum's clothing came in contact with the flames in a small stove at the Drum home. Almost instantly she was enveloped in fire. Her dress was almost entirely burned from her body before the flames could be extinguished and herself rescued from what appeared certain death. She got along well for two weeks when blood poison developed and since then her case has been almost hopeless. The doctors in attendance did all possible but could not save her from death.

Miss Drum is the eldest of seven sons and daughters, hers is and the first death in the family. Besides her parents, the brothers and sisters who survive are Ed. C., formerly of Charleroi, Cliff, Elton, Ray, Leslie and Dora. She was a member of the Methodist church and of the Friday Afternoon club. In the latter club hers is the first death.

The funeral will be at the late home on Friday morning at 10 o'clock, after which the body will be taken to the Richland cemetery near Dravosburg for interment. Rev. Cameron of Vandergrift and Rev. Mackey will be the officiating ministers.

Entertains at Cards.

At her home on Washington avenue on Wednesday evening Mrs. C. Edward Rowan entertained at cards. The evening was delightfully spent with the playing of euchre. Honors were awarded and refeshments were served.

BILL FOR REPEAL OF MERCANTILE TAX

In the State Legislature yesterday Auditor General Robert K. Young in pursuance with the request of the Legislature, submitted to the House a report showing the cost of collecting the mercantile tax, together with other information desired. This cost was with other information desired. This cost is more than one-tenth of the whole amount, a large portion of which is spent for advertising, as against the 50 to 75 per centum as alleged as the cost of collection.

At the same time the repealing measure calculated to deprive the state of the revenue gained by this measure was introduced by Representative Edgar R. Kiess of Lycoming county.

Concerning the proposed repeal of the mercantile tax laws, Representative Kiess said:

"In my campaign I promised the merchants of my district that I would support a repealer of the mercantile tax. I am not in favor of reducing the revenues of the State, but I think they ought to be raised in another way and not by levying this tax upon the merchants."

Lowe-Brounce.

At the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Brounce, on Washington avenue last evening occurred the wedding of Miss Lilly Mae Brounce to Mr. Robert T. Lowe of Donora. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. G. Kerr of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church in the presence of the members of the two families. The attendants were Miss Helene Brounce a sister of the bride and Mr. Louis Leslie Road. After the performance of the ceremony a supper was served to the couple and the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowe will reside in Donora. The groom is employed as an engineer in the steel mill at that place.

James J. Greggerson will lecture on "What is, What has been, What is to be," at the Cooperative hall on Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

Messrs. Ray Kent and Roy Richards, and Misses Elsie Crill and Alice Mallabone attended the play, "The Thief" at the Nixon theatre, Pittsburg, last night.

ALL CHARLEROI HOTELS ARE GRANTED LIQUOR LICENSES

Walfred Will Be Permitted To Sell, This Making The Seventh.

SAME NUMBER AS LAST

Forty-Eight Applicants Are Successful, No More No Less Than Previously.

Judge J. F. Taylor late yesterday afternoon handed down his decisions in the license applications. All of Charleroi's hotels were included in this. There was considerable disappointment on the part of those who were refused but the general sentiment among the members of the bar, who have been watching the license court this year was that Judge Taylor had acted very fairly and had good grounds for refusing the ones that he did. The few changes made in the licensed houses counter balance each other so that there are just as many licenses this year as there was last year, the entire number granted out of the 70 applicants being 45.

The new ones are William R. Gaut, Charleroi, retail; Jacob Will, McDonald, retail; John T. Starr, West Brownsille, retail, and W. B. Risbeck, Donora, retail. To counter balance this the following were refused: Paul Schaeffer, McDonald, retail; Walter S. Bowel, East Bethlehem, retail; Geroge Muehlbauer, West Brownsville, retail; Joseph Watson, Union township, and George S. Bentley, Union township.

There is difficulty in the case of Joseph Good, of West Brownsville, whose application has been held over by request. If this is finally granted there will be a total of thirty-three retail licensed houses and sixteen wholesale, brewers and distillers in the county, as against the same number last year.

Judge Taylor handed down but one opinion with his decisions, it being in the case of Harry B. Hayden, of Monongahela.

The licenses granted from Charleroi follow: William H. Coles, Arthur W. Day, George F. Rylands, George L. West, George Myford, Wm. H. Zellers, and William R. Gaut.

Among those refused for retail license were Edward L. Miller for East Bethlehem township, and Mrs. Mary Noble of Carroll township.

The Independent Brewing company was granted a license for Charleroi. Two were refused, Victor Abbatti of Monongahela and the Washington Distilling company.

Judge Taylor is to be commended for his methods in the handling of the license court this year. The granting of the license to William R. Gaut for the Walfred hotel is pleasing to a large number. Mr. Gaut is popular, and he is known as a thorough hotel man, and one capable of conducting an up to-date hostelry.

James Shearer and son Fred Shearer of near Fayette City are guests today at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Reeves on Fallowfield avenue.

Martin and Floren Blaker of near Waynesburg are guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Blaker of Second street.

Mrs. L. S. Jack and daughter Alberta left last evening for Pittsburg to visit with friends.

SPIELMAN CASE COMES UP TODAY

The case of Max Spielman, of New York city who was held for a court trial a few weeks ago by Justice of the Peace E. E. Rice, of Charleroi, on a charge of trying to swindle the Pennsylvania Railroad out of the amount claimed for a trunk, $800 the check on which it is alleged was stolen by him, is due to come before the grand jury at Washington today. D. C. Whitlatch, the baggage agent here and George Stewart the extra agent and Finley Weir were called as witnesses and are in Washington today.

MEMBERS OF LOCAL SOCIETY ATTEND

Members of the local circle of the Companions of the Forest attended the banquet and installation of members at Pittsburg last night. Mrs. Evelyn Sawyer of Boston, Mass., was the honor guest. Over one hundred new members were initiated into various circles. Those who attended from Charleroi were the following: Mrs. John Kuth, Mrs. William Crawford, Mrs. Cecelia Kirk, Miss Anna Barrett and Miss Mary Moore. Mrs. Anderson of Lucyville was also among those that went from here.

NEW TIPPLE WILL BE READY SOON

The new tipple which is being erected by the Zondel Coal company at Pricedale will be finished and ready for use in about three weeks. This tipple will greatly improve the methods of the handling of the coal at this place.

Extensive repairs are being made at the Somers No. 2 plant near Belle Vernon and it will be put in operation before March 1.

MANY WILL ATTEND FROM CHARLEROI

On Friday afternoon there will several delegates go from this place to Monongahela to attend the Baptist convention which is to be held in Blankenbeuler's hall there, and in the evening there will a number go. The evening service it is thought will be the better of the two, and will be largely attended.

APPROPRIATION BILLS ARE INTRODUCED

In the State Legislature yesterday Representative Bentley of this county introduced a bill of appropriations for the following. Morganza Reform school $407,048. Monongahela Memorial hospital $30,000. Mr. Carothers also of this county introduced an appropriation bill for the sum of $18,500 for the Washington city hospital.

Leopold Stasson has left for Point Marion where he will remain for some time.

J. K. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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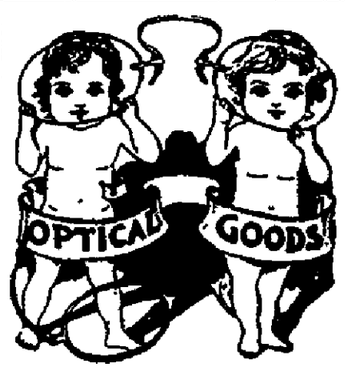

SHUT YOUR EYES

and see how you would like to go through the world with a black veil before them; that is what will happen if they need attention and you are neglecting them.

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Feb. 4 In History.

1783—Destructive earthquakes in Italy and Sicily.

1840—The United States bank, an institution chartered by Pennsylvania after it had been abolished by government action, suspended finally. Its entire capital had been sunk.

1901—Centennial anniversary of the installation of John Marshall as chief justice of the United States celebrated throughout the Union

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 5:16, rises 7:01; moon rises 4:43 p. m.; 3:17 a. m., eastern time, full moon in constellation Cancer, opposite the sun; 1 a. m., Jupiter's satellite No. 2 missing because making transit across the planet's face.

GOOD EVENING.

It is hard for us to learn that all do not think as ourselves, and that in many cases our trying to impress upon others the necessity of doing things as we do, is merely a demonstration of our narrowness.—Tanfal.

The Child Labor Bill

The child labor bill, upon which the State Child Labor Association has been working for several months, and which was introduced in the House of Representatives Monday night by Samuel W. Salus, Representative from the Third Philadelphia District and formerly Assistant District Attorney of Philadelphia county, regulate child labor in all forms of employment except on the farm and in domestic service and is regarded as a very moderate measure. Aside from soft coal mines, where twelve-year old child laborers are now legal, the Salus Bill does not change the present age for children's work—fourteen years. It merely requires parents to prove that their children have reached that age by producing some record of birth or baptism where this is possible. This proof of age is to be presented to the school officials in each city or town and they issue the certificates. The provisions of the bill in regard to certificates and their method of issuance are taken verbatim from the Educational Commission's bill, with which the Salus Bill is in perfect accord.

The Child Labor Association has another bill, to be introduced in a few days, relating to the length of the fourteen-year old child's working day, and prohibiting employment at night.

Lewis Elected.

From statements of the Miners convention at Indianapolis it seems that Thomas Lewis, the former international president of the United Mine Workers has been reelected despite the announcements shortly after the ballots were taken to the opposite effect, that Mr. Walker, his opponent had been the one chosen. To be frank, the Mail would rather have seen Walker elected, and a glance through past issues will show this, but if Mr. Lewis is to be the president, we have all faith in him, and are sure that he will do his best for the miners. It is to be hoped that the differences between Mr. Feehan, president of this district and the miners with Mr. Lewis are patched up, and things run smoothly for the next year. There have been grave charges made in the past against the National president but as to the truth of them we cannot say. At any rate it is not for us to discuss these at this time. There have been numerous clashes between Feehan and Lewis, and our own man, Mr. Feehan, has not always come out behind. In fact, he has come out ahead in many of the contentions. Mr. Feehan is popular in this district, and he is especially well liked in Charleroi, where he has a host of friends.

The Right Action.

While it is not the wish to place Monessen in the light of an example, we think that the county officials of Westmoreland did right in taking the action which makes the borough or city pay all the expenses for the keep of prisoners sent up for petty charges. It is a thing altogether too common for persons te bo sent up to jail and for court trials on trumped up charges, and trivial matters, by some of the justices of the peace, for the pure and simple reason of getting their costs out of it. There are many who will not hesitate to send a man to jail if they know there is something in it for them, and it is in this way that the jails are partly filled. In this part of the country where there are so many foreigners it is an easy matter for an official to have him arrested and sent to jail.

Electric Sparks

There is hint of a bandmasters' dilemma over music appropriate to the coming inauguration. Of course the Georgia leaders will rise to the memory of a late occasion with inspiring renditions of "Carve Dat 'Possum!"

For posting a ballot on the question of the meanest man in town a Mount Vernon cigar dealer is fined $5. This is interference not with the freedom but with the proclamation of opinion. Probably the penalty has changed no mind.

Perhaps the Czar wants those Wright airships so that he can take his constitutional without disturbing the terrorists.

Mendelssohn was born a hundred years ago and was thought to have talent, but as he never wrote a "Salome" he is, speaking musically, a "dead one."

We build floating forts now. How long before we shall build floating hospitals insured to take the weak and sick into summer seas on the approach of winter? Is it not nobler to spend millions on the expectation of taking it?

During a recent flight in his aeroplane Mr. Wright suffered severely from cold. And now the inventors may as well set to work to devise some method of supplying the coming demand for steamheat areoplanes.

In the West and South it has become the fashion to enact legislation specifying the length of sheets on hotel beds, but, for some reason or other, no laws prescribing the number of bristles in a hotel hairbrush have yet been passed.

Progress is shown on the fact that two sons of Governor Comer of Alabama assaulted the editor of the Montgomery Advertiser with their fists. This is an amelioration over shooting him, according to the precedent of a neighboring State. But even the improvement makes newspaper life in the South highly strenuous.

The Fairmont Parkway in Philadelphia was already celebrated as laid out to be broad and expensive. But the Mayor of that city wants it widened still further. Someone must have abutting land to sell the city at a good figure.

When white students of the California University set upon and beat a Japanese student on the ground that the Japanese are not civilized it certainly demonstrates a lack of civilization somewhere.

There is no prejudice in this country against the automobile. Neither is there against the locomotive engine. But there is an emphatic feeling that the former is as much out of place on the common highway as the latter would be.

The legislature will do the people of this state a great favor if it will amend the registration act so as to compel citizens to declare their party affiliations when they register.—New Castle Herald.

The square piano has four legs,
The grand has three to its frame,
The upright has no legs at all,
But it gets there just the same.—The Musician.

Lover

Lover, Pa. Feb. 4.—Mrs. Henry Carson is spending a few days in Charleroi with her daughter, Mrs. David Duvall.

John B. Carson and wife of Ohio, are visiting relatives here and also attended the funeral of Mrs. Carson's brother, Jefferson Duvall, son of J. P. Duvall, near Jonestown.

Wm. Saulters and family of Charleroi, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Saulters' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Allmon.

Miss Stella Robison who was quite sick last week is beter.

Mrs. Henry Furnier of Charleroi, is spending a few days at the home of Henry Carson.

Mrs. Samuel Hopewell and children and her sister, Miss Allie Harrison are visiting at the home of their brother, John Harrison of Uniontown.

Mr. and Mrs Ira Duvall of Charleroi, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of the former's father, T. R. Duvall.

The Maple Creek Telephone Co. have restrung all their main lines here

Rev. Settles of Morgantown, W. Va., will preach at the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening. Mr. Settles will only make one more trip after this one as he expects to move from Morgantown to Indiana about March.

Mrs. Delia Bowser, of Fredericktown, who has been visiting her parent's Mr. and Mrs. W. Carroll, near Garwood has returned home.

Bowman Horn of Donora, was a recent guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J Horn.

The White Pigeon school was closed a few days last week owing to the illness of the teacher, Miss Weir.

Mr. and Mrs. Allmon were callers at California Wednesday.

Speers

Speers, Feb. 4.—Mrs. Charles E. Seiler returned to her home in Uniontown after a few days visit with her sister, Mrs. Park Jackman of this place.

Master Fred Collins is home again from a week's trip spent on the lower rivers with his uncle, Captain W. C. Sansom.

Charles Edmonds and wife of Zanesville, Ohio, are visiting friends and relatives in Fairhope and Brownsville.

Mrs. Charles Corbet has returned to her home after a two months visit with her parents at Reynoldsville.

Henry Lewis of North Belle Vernon, is ill of the grippe.

George Green of this place is working as second engineer on the Steamer Twilight.

The report of molten metal being poured into the river at a Monessen mill was distinctly heard at Fayette City and started another of those "quick action" reports of a great explosion.

Much Discussed Play.

The much discussed play "Graustark" will be presented at the Coyle theatre, Friday evening, Feb. 12 and local book lovers and theatre-goers will have an opportunity of seeing and judging for themselves the dramatized version of Geo. Barr McCutcheon's famous story. The author's readers are a legion and they rally to the support of the play as a unit. The opportunity for dramatic effect in "Graustark" is unparalled in the history of stage productions where successful novels were the source of supplying the plot. James W. Castle who staged the original production, was quick to see the possibilities of this startling story and arranged for the theatrical rights, with the result that today this romantic drama is the most talked of play in the realm of theatredom.

MEETINGS AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Last night at the Baptist church Rev. Palmer the pastor spoke on the topic, "The Nearness of God." The service was interesting and Rev. Palmer's talk was much enjoyed. The prayer meeting of fifteen minutes before the regular session was a feature.

The meetings which have been held during the past three weeks will be closed tonight. Tomorrow night several members of the local church will attend the Baptist convention at Monongahela.

"Rubbers"

A miss was walking down the street
The walk was covered up with sleet,
She slipped and fell---she saw the sky,
A man who saw her raised a cry

"Rubbers"

If you would take some sound advice
Take no chances with the ice,
Just go to Adolph's and with the price
He'll show you how to walk on ice---with

"Rubbers"

Just call up 56-J
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Please state the size you'd like to buy,
Just call up Adolph and at him cry

"Rubbers"

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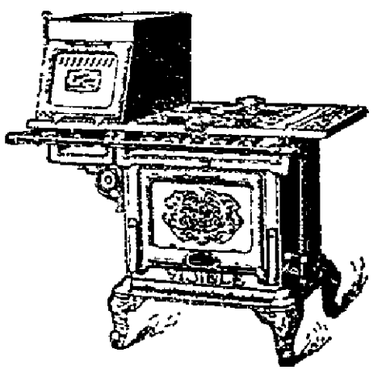

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QUAKE DESTROYS CITY

Chilapa, Mexico, Town of 15,000, Shaken and Burned.

Mexico City, March 28.—Chilapa, a town of 15,000 inhabitants in the state of Guerrero has been shaken by an earthquake and burned

The shocks, two in number, were followed by fires which, originating in a dozen places among the tumbling buildings, joined in a conflagration that swept the town. Only meager facts of the disaster are known here and what has been learned has dribbled in from half a dozen sources more or less authentic

Beloit, Wis., March 28.—The roaring well has "made good." March 19 it was found that the phenomenon on the farm of Charles Lathers north east of Beloit was active The well roared for several weeks before the great earthquake at San Francisco and the curious sound of rumbling, together with wind from the mouth of the well ceased at the precise hour when the shock struck the California city On the day a little more than a week ago when the well resumed its clamor residents of Rock county predicted a calamity It came at Chilapa Mexico

The earthquake which is reported to have destroyed the Mexican town of Chilapa undoubtedly is the same disturbance that shook the island of St Thomas which was recorded at Washington and which caused considerable alarm in Mexico City At Washington two shocks were recorded by the instruments of the weather bureau They were approximately at a distance of 2400 miles The first took place at 6 09 p m and the second at 10.54 p m In addition to this there was recorded on the afternoon of March 27 at Washington evidences of a strong shock believed to be in the same locality

The shocks in Mexico City cracked walls all over the city The theater crowds rushed to the streets and for a short time there was considerable apprehension No great damage was done

Not Disturbed.

Nassau William Senior, the English political economist, was a frequent guest of Lord Lansdowne at Lansdowne House and on one occasion was busily writing, quite abstracted as usual, in a room full of company when Tom Moore was singing The scratch of his pen was not an agreeable accompaniment, and at last one of the company asked very politely, "You are not fond of music, Mr. Senior?" "No," he replied, "but it does not disturb me in the least. Pray go on."

Careful About Worry.

A physician was recently attending a patient whose husband came to see him concerning her condition and greeted him with the words "Mr Irving, do you think there is any need for any unnecessary anxiety about my wife?"—Argonaut.

POCKETBOOK HALTS TRAIN

German Woman Furnishes Bit of Comedy for Passengers.

Freeport, Pa., Oct. 28.—A westbound train on the West Penn railroad had [illegible] a German woman announced to Conductor Frank Dickson that she had left her pocketbook, containing a large sum of money, at the station and demanded that she be let off immediately.

Dickson stopped the train and the woman gathered up her bundles When she reached the door she decided to look again. While the conductor suggested that she either get off and wait for the next train or continue her journey Ignoring the comments of impatient passengers she slowly went through her bags and finally, with an exclamation of joy, fished the missing pocketbook from a paper sack.

Triumphantly holding it up she said: "I vos all right now, you can go ahet."

Nan and the Bucket.

There is one particular fever of nonsense which the Princeton Tiger claims the credit of having originated, for in the November issue, 1902, appeared the following verse:

There once was a man from Nantucket
Who kept all his cash in a bucket.
But his daughter, named Nan,
Ran away with a man,
And as for the bucket—Nantucket.

For the next few months Nan, her father and her newly acquired husband encountered a series of the most astonishing adventures in every known hamlet in the country which could be converted into limerick form by the brains of newspaper and magazine writers from sea to sea. By the time Nan came back with a dozen or so additional verses tacked on to her there is reason to wonder in the face of the ordeals to which she had been subjected whether the pecuniary advantage gained by absconding with that bucket repaid her for all that she had been through.—Roy S. Durstine in Bohemian Magazine

How He Saved Money.

A country politician in Pennsylvania managed to get elected to the legislature at Harrisburg for one term. When he came back he built himself a fine house, costing about $20,000 His old neighbors, who knew he had no money before he went to Harrisburg and who knew the salary of a Pennsylvania legislator, were curious to discover where the returned statesman got means to build the house. So one day a committee waited on the man who built the house, and the spokesman said:

"Jim, it may be none of our business to your thinking, but we think you owe it to us who sent you to the legislature to explain where you got the money with which you built this house. You didn't have a cent before you went to Harrisburg and owed everybody in the place. How about it?"

"Why," said the builder, "it's simple enough You see, when we were in Harrisburg we didn't keep a hired girl."—Argonaut.

Why Negroes Like Watermelons.

The humorists always associate the African with the watermelon, assuming that the taste of the colored man for his favorite dainty arises from his life in the southern states, where the melon vine grows like a weed As a fact, however, the African taste for the watermelon is hereditary. The vine is a native of Africa, where it is found wild in the great central plains of the continent, and has also been cultivated for many ages In Egypt the melons grown along the Nile rival those of southeastern Missouri. The melons mentioned by the Israelites as being among the good things they had in Egypt were undoubtedly watermelons, for in the wall paintings about the time of the exodus the melon vine is represented, and in one case a long procession of slaves is depicted, each bearing on his shoulder a huge, dark green watermelon.—Washington Herald.

Where the Shoe Pinched.

It was easy for Mr. Randall to bear with his wife's remarkable decision of character at all times, but her obstinacy he found most difficult to endure.

"I can't quite comprehend her," he sounded to his brother after one trying experience "Many years as we have been married she still surprises me Why [illegible] the same day, sometimes [illegible] hour, she will settle a question and [illegible] the kitchen, put the children [illegible] where they belong, adjust some [illegible] the church and then, when her judgment ought to be at its best display the most astounding obstinacy in attempting to regulate my comings out or comings in It's—it's incomprehensible."

Moslem Prayer Rugs

Prayer rugs were evidently invented for the purpose of providing the worshipers with one absolutely clean place on which to offer prayers It is not lawful for a Moslem to pray on any place not perfectly clean and unless each one has his own special rug he is not certain that the spot has not been polluted It does not matter to these followers of Mohammed how unclean a rug that is on the floor may be, because over it they place the prayer rug when their devotions begin.

An Eye Experiment.

The two eyes really see two objects If the two forefingers be held one at the distance of one foot, the other two feet in front of the eyes, and the former be looked at, two phantoms of the latter will be observed, one on each side. If the latter figure be regarded, two phantoms of the nearest finger will be observed mounting guard, one on either side.

THE WORLD DRYING UP.

Possibility That the Human Race Will Die of Thirst.

We are to die of thirst. Comparatively few persons know the suffering involved in a thirst for which there is no help at hand. The consuming thirst more than the pain of any wound makes the battlefield a hell. Yet death by thirst is the doom forecast for the race by grim scientists. Geologists find that the fresh water supply of the globe is failing. They have data which point to the gradual withdrawal of the streams and other bodies of water from the surface. Both in Africa and central Asia and, indeed, in all the great levels the water beds are drying up. A great number of lakes well known in the historical age have entirely disappeared. For example, Lake Chiroua, in Africa, has vanished within recent years, as has also Lake Ngami, discovered by Livingstone. Lake Tchad is more than half dried up For centuries bodies of water in central Asia have been evaporating and the deserts extending. Where 2,000 years ago great cities stood in east Turkestan there are found only vast and depressing stretches of sand. The river Tarim, once a principal Asiatic route, is almost gone, and Lob-Nor, formerly four times the area of Lake Geneva, is now but a shallow marsh. The same sad conditions are noted in European Russia. Novgorod, the most pushing city in the czar's distracted realm, was surrounded by water in the middle ages. While we may be sure that the fate which the geologists suggest for humanity is very far away, the facts recited to show the drying up process are convincing proofs of the need of preserving our forests with more care.—St. Paul Pioneer Press

A Test Case.

"I'm a 'beauty doctor,'" announced the stranger with the hand satchel full of cosmetics and massage machines. "Do you think I could get any practice around here?"

"Yeou make ugly things pretty, don't yeou?" drawled the old farmer in the speckled shirt.

"That's my business, sir."

"Waal, if yeou'll go down back of my barn yeou'll find an old slate covered cow with one eye and one horn and wrinkles like canals all over her face. She's the ugliest cow in seven states, and if yeou can make her pretty I'll agree that yeou be a 'beauty doctor' an' give yeou a dollar."—Chicago News.

The Buckboard.

"There are few persons who know how the name of 'buckboard' came to be applied to a vehicle," says a writer. "It was away back in the twenties, when the transportation of goods, wares and merchandise was almost entirely by wagon. A Dr. Buck was then in charge of military stores en route to army posts in the southwest. In east Tennessee much difficulty was experienced by reason of the rough roads, and there were frequent mishaps, mostly from wagons overturning. Dr. Buck overhauled the outfit, and, abandoning the wagon bodies, long boards were set directly on the axles or hung below, and the stores were loaded in such a manner that there were no further delays from breakdowns, and the stores safely reached their destinations In special emergency too, the load could be shifted or taken off in a hurry. Dr. Buck's example was followed, especially when roads were tough, and soon much hauling was done by the use of wheels, axles and boards only. Now we have the buckboard, both in carriage and automobile forms, conforming closely to the original idea though few suspect the source of it."—Chicago News.

Technical Swearing.

The late Sir John Millais was a very keen fisherman He used to tell a story of an old man who was his attendant during a day's sport in the north of England The old man was full of local gossip and small scandal, and where the natural supply failed him he was clearly able to manufacture enough of his own to go on with. "I went out with the bishop yesterday," said the old man, referring to a popular church dignitary, who is also a good fisherman. "Ah," replied Millais, "he's a good man." "Well," continued the gillie, "'e may be, but 'e do swear a bit when 'e's fishin'." "On nonsense!" replied Millais "I don't believe that" The old man insisted that he was right, however. "I'll give you an instance," he said. "I was standin' longside o' the bishop, same as I might be aside o' you, and 'e'd got a big fellow at the end of 'is line that was pretty nigh pullin' 'im off 'is feet and I turns to 'is lordship and I says, 'E pulls — 'ard, don't he,' and the bishop says, 'Yes, 'e do.' Well now, a'n't that swearin'?"—London M. A. P.

St. Patrick and the Roosters.

St Patrick's reputation as a snake charmer is known all the world over, but what he did to the roosters is a bit of history less disseminated. There is a small district in the heart of County Sligo it seems, which strenuously resented the intrusion of the Scotchman. Succat (St. Patrick) had become exceedingly domineering, and it was decided to put a damper on his progress. He said to his hostess, "Wake me when the cock crows." When he had gone to bed she whispered this command to the neighbors, and all the populace concealed their roosters under small creels so they could not lift their heads high enough to crow. In consequence thereof the saint overslept himself and was furious when he discovered the trick that had been played on him. He laid his everlasting curse on the roosters of that district, and they have never crowed since.—Exchange.

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THOUGHT HE WANTED SNUFFBOX

Suspicion of Piper Not Very Flattering to His Grace.

At a dinner given by the marquis of Bute, among the guests was a well-known duke who, in full Highland dress, had his piper standing behind his chair. At dessert a very handsome and valuable snuffbox belonging to another of the guests was handed round. When the time came to return it to its owner, the snuffbox could not be found anywhere, though a very thorough search was made. The duke was specially anxious about it, but with no result. Some months afterwards the duke again donned the kilt for another public ceremony—the first time he had worn it since the above dinner—and happening to put his hand into his sporran he, to his utmost astonishment, found there the snuffbox which had been lost at the public dinner. Turning to his piper, the duke said: "Why, this is the snuffbox we were all looking for! Did you not see me put it away in my sporran?" "Yes, your grace," replied the piper, "I did, but I thocht ye wushed tae keep it."—San Francisco Argonaut.

THINKS SOLOMON WAS RIGHT.

"Billy Sanders" Also Believes That Boys Need the Rod.

"Thar never was a boy born into the world that don't have to have the hickory put to him more than once, an' the oftener the better," said Mr. Billy Sanders. "You may think my talk is harsh, but the more I love a boy, the more I wanter see him come under some strong an' heavy hand, bekaze I know it's his only salvation. You may look back on all the youngsters you've know'd, an' you'll find that we ain't got any more wisdom than Solomon, ef as much. He tore the bottom out of the basket in a mighty few words. 'Spar' the rod an' spile the child.' Ef he'd 'a' never said nothin' else, them seven words would 'a' made him the wisest man the world ever seed. No newspaper pargrapher has ever beat it yit. Ef brevity's the sole of whitleather, your Uncle Solomon has got it mighty fine; ef he ain't, you may call me Mabel, an' print in the paper that I've done gone an' eloped wit' a college fiddler named Clarence Raymond." — Joel Chandler Harris, in Uncle Remus' Magazine.

By Appointment.

In the dimlit drawing room on a keen winter's night sat Sweet Seventeen, smiling coy[illegible] at Ardent Twenty One. Sweet Seventeen was uncontrollably bewitching and Ardent Twenty One appallingly earnest.

Gazing intently into the gold-red heart of the great log fire that blazed cheerfully in the grate, he poured forth his passionate address.

"How divine!" murmured Sweet Seventeen.

But the young man frowned and started.

"How divine! My dearest Hilary—"

"Hilary?" he said. "You mean George, pet, do you not?"

The maiden flushed and bit her lip.

"Oh, dear," she said, "how foolish of me! I was thinking that this was Saturday night!"—Tid-Bits.

Balzac in Church Pew.

The woman who had left a volume of Balzac in the church pew on prayer meeting night felt a little bit ashamed when she asked for the book, but the sexton assured her she need not feel that way.

"Many things are left in the church," he said, "and some of them are a whole lot less respectable than Balzac. After each service the pews yield a strange grist of forgotten or discarded articles."

DELEGATES WILL ATTEND JUVENILE MEETING

The Central committee of the Juvenile Court association is arranging for a public meeting to be held in the court house on Friday of this week, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. It is expected that delegates from Charleroi, Monongahela, McDonald, California, Donora, Canonsburg, Claysville and West Alexander will be present.

Louis Beigel is transacting business today in Pittsburg.

MUST HAVE ASTONISHED BRUIN.

Hunter Dropped from Limb and Brute Shot Up in the Air.

"I never fooled a bear but once in my life," said an old California hunter. "I was hunting quail with a light gun one day, when I suddenly met a very large bear. I was willing to pass without speaking, but Bruin was mad about something and bristled up for a fight.

"So I let him have both barrels, and then cut for a tree. The shot dazed him for a minute, and then he gave chase, and pretty soon came clawing up after me. There was a long, projecting limb on one side, and when I saw him coming, I got out to the extreme end, although it bent like a reed under my weight.

"Out came the bear after me, slowly and carefully, and with every step the branch bent lower. When the bear got within two yards of me I was within ten feet of the ground. Then I dropped down, and, as the bear shot up 20 feet in the air, I made for home as fast as I could run."

DON'T WANT THEM ON A JURY.

Lawyers Have a Prejudice Against Curly-Haired Men.

It is not generally known that there is a well-defined prejudice against curly-haired men when it comes to choosing a jury. When asked to explain the objection to curly-haired men, a prominent lawyer said:

"When I was just starting life my legal mentor inculcated that idea very forcibly into me. He said that curly-haired men almost invariably had been the pampered darlings of their parents, and in their youth had been so accustomed to having their own way that they had grown up in the belief that everybody on earth was wrong except themselves. In this way the seeds of opposition were sown, and as men they made it a point to disagree with everybody and everything. If every other man on a jury voted one way they would vote the other. They usually are as stubborn as the day is long. Hence a curly haired man never goes on a jury if I can prevent it."

Not Up to the Standard.

Ibsen has invaded the sacred precincts of the select boarding school for young ladies. He has entered disguised as a "course in northern literature." He may be found even in the fashionable New York finishing schools, where the budding social leaders go to [illegible] luncheon and recess. In one of these establishments a blonde beauty taking the Ibsen course recently remarked to her instructor: "I don't think Ibsen knew much about dramatic art. I've just been to see 'The Master Builder,' and they wore the same costumes all the way through."

The astonished instructor swallowed quickly and responded: "Don't judge Ibsen by one play. In 'Hedda Gabler' they wear morning, afternoon and evening clothes. It's really quite dressy!"

Imitating His Elders.

Young folks are quick to pattern after their elders, bad habits as well as good. A little Rochester boy was sent on an errand by his mother to the grocery store and when he came back he was contentedly eating a banana. "Where did you get your banana?" asked his mother. "Bought it," he replied, quickly. "But I gave you no money to buy one," she objected. "Oh, well," he said, nonchalantly, "I told Mr. Brown to let me have two, and I would drop in and pay for them next week." That was beginning the credit system at an early age.

Table Talk.

Old Gobsa Golde looked thoughtfully across the centerpiece of mauve orchids at his son.

"Well, Scattergood," he said, bending forward to light his cigar at one of the shaded candles, "your course in life will be far easier, I can see, than mine was."

Young Scattergood Golde smiled with good-humored condescension.

"How so, governor?" he patronizingly inquired.

"I," said the old man, "began at the bottom and worked up. You have begun at the top and will slide down."

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HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Dynamite Explodes Under Gen. Wells's Bed But Does Not Kill.

Telluride, Col., March 30.—Eluding the guard stationed at the Smuggler Union mine at Pandora, two miles south of Telluride, and the searchlight which is constantly thrown about the premises during the night from the high tower of the mill as a precautionary measure, an unknown person gained access to the residence of General Bulkeley Wells, general manager of the Smuggler Union Mining company, and planted dynamite under his bed. The dynamite was exploded about 2 o'clock in the morning when the intended victim was asleep. He was hurled against the ceiling and alighted under a mass of debris, but escaped with a few scratches and bruises and impaired hearing.

Although a systematic search has been made by Sheriff Fitzpatrick and deputies, aided by hundreds of citizens, no clue has been found to the perpetrator of the deed. One man who is charged with having said that Wells should be killed is being held on suspicion.

In the same building where the attempt to kill General Wells was made Arthur L. Collins, predecessor of General Wells as general manager, was assassinated six years ago while playing a game of cards with a number of friends at night. The man who killed Collins fired a heavy load of buckshot through the window into his back.

Canning's Wedding.

I was to be best man, and Pitt, Canning and Mr. Leigh, who was to read the service, dined with me before the marriage, which was to take place in Brook street. We had a coach to drive there, and as we went through that narrow part, near what was then Swallow street, a fellow drew up against the wall to avoid being run over and, peering into the coach, recognized Pitt and saw Mr. Leigh, who was in full canonicals, sitting opposite him.

The fellow exclaimed, "What, Billy Pitt, and with a parson too?"

I said, "He thinks you are going to Tyburn to be hanged privately," which was rather impudent of me, but Pitt was too much absorbed, I believe, in thinking of the marriage to be angry.

After the ceremony he was so nervous that he could not sign as witness and Canning whispered to me to sign without waiting for him. He regarded the marriage as the one thing needed to give Canning the position necessary to lead a party, and this was the cause of his anxiety about it, which I would not have believed had I not witnessed it, though I knew how warm was the regard he had for Canning. Had Canning been Pitt's own son I do not think he could have been more interested in all that related to his marriage.—"Letters of John Hookham Frere."

A Lesson In Grammar.

In a certain mountainous region the teachers are appointed with little question concerning their grammatical orthodoxy. Occasionally, however, a wave of school reform sweeps through the valleys, and undesired examinations are thrust upon embarrassed pedagogues.

It was during one of these periods of intellectual discomfort that the following sentence was given: "The bird flew over the house." Accompanying it was the query, "Is 'flew' a regular or an irregular verb?"

One teacher after another shook his head hopelessly despite the slow, thought inspiring fashion in which the examiner repeated the perplexing fact that "The — bird — flew — over — the — house."

Finally a man rose in the rear, and, with the assurance of one who puts his trust in logic and a practical knowledge of natural history, he volunteered a solution. Said he:

"If that bird which flew over the house was a wild goose, it went in a straight, regular line, so the verb is regular. But if it was a peckwood that flew over the house, then it went in a crooked, zigzag line, and so the verb is irregular."

All but the grammar bound examiner were satisfied with this sensible and rational explanation. — Youth's Companion.

Killing a King.

In all monarchies the killing of the king or emperor, the Law Journal of London points out, "is perhaps the gravest form of high treason." The Journal adds, "In one country, Italy, sentence of death cannot be imposed, and in Portugal we believe that capital punishment is not used, if not abolished. Under the law of treason of the United Kingdom, which has been applied to most of the king's dominions abroad, with or without statutory modifications, the killing of the king is a capital offence by the statute of treasons. It is there described as 'compassing or imagining the death of our lord the king.' By later legislation (of 1800) the elaborate provisions special to trials for treason do not apply to assassination of the sovereign or a direct attempt on his life, and such offenses are tried in the same manner as willful murder. The result is that in substance, though not in form, the killing of the sovereign is triable and punishable in the same manner as the willful murder of a subject, but the crown may direct the execution to be by decapitation instead of hanging."

An Explanation.

The passionate rhythms of "The Merry Widow" waltz floated through the office, and the boss looked up from his desk impatiently.

"Frederic," he said, "I wish you wouldn't whistle at your work."

"I ain't workin', sir," the office boy replied calmly. "I'm only just whistlin'."—New York Press.

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MONESSEN COLORED MAN IS ARRESTED ON MURDER CHARGE

Claimed He Is One Who Committed Fiendish Deed Of Two Years Ago.

LITTLE CHILD ATTACKED

Annie Hartwick Was The Innocent Victim Of Brutal Crime.

This afternoon before Justice A. N. Sruster of Monessen Walter Pearson, a colored man charged with the murder of little Annie Hartwick, near Monessen in the fall of 1907 is being given a hearing The man was arrested yesterday afternoon in Monessen by Constable David Mathers of North Charleroi who has been working on the case. If there is enough evidence against the man the only thing that can be done is hold him for a court trial. Yesterday afternoon Mr. Mathers went to Monessen and secured his man. He made information before Justice A. N. Sruster.

Mr Mathers claims he has some strong evidence against the man, and will prosecute the case vigorously. Among other things which Mr. Mathers claims he has to prove the guilt of the man is a blood stained penknife said to have been found near the scene of the murder. He also states that he has an eye witness who was near when the fiendish deed was perpetrated. The knife has the initials M. P. on it. There is a reward of $1500 out for the capture and conviction of the murderer

The murder was one of the most brutal deeds ever heard of in this section. While the little girl, who was only about 12 years of age, was on her way to bring the cows home for the evening she was attacked by some fiend, who after ravishing her left her to die on the hillside. She was found the next morning after an all night search. The terrible deed stirred up the entire community and the best of the country's detectives were put to work on the case, but could learn nothing. The case had practically been given up and the arrest yesterday only revives it.

IGNORES CHARGES OF LOCAL JUSTICE

Costs were placed on a justice of the peace by the grand jury yesterday, in the case of the Commonwealth vs. William H. Riggle. The case is one of more than ordinary interest and involves some queer twists and turns. Riggle, who was a detective, was charged with two counts of voluntarily permitting a prisoner to escape, and two counts of extortion. The grand jury ignored all charges.

The case grows out of a queer mix-up in Charleroi. Complainants went to the office of Justice E. E. Rice and told of being robbed Papers were made out for the arrest of the suspects on charges of larceny. These papers did not contain the names of the complaints, but were given to Riggle to serve. He arrested the men, but the prosecutors never appeared.

Justice Rice alleged that Riggle let the men go after accepting $15, because the prosecutors did not put in an appearance.—Washington Record.

MONONGAHELA WINS THE FIRST

In a fast as well as rough game at the Charleroi rink last night the Monongahela Polo team defeated the Charleroi five in the first of a series of seven games for the purse of $500 a side The score was 7 to 5

Charleroi had the Monongahela boys played off their feet in the first period, and it looked as if the winners would not be well, Monongahela. The game had not been well started until the locals had totaled two points. In the second period neither team showed superior form, and the match was even But in the third the Monongahelians got stronger, and secured enough goals to win.

In the Charleroi lineup last night there were two new players, Shearer and Means both of Beaver Falls. Both played well. The entire Charleroi team played well, but the bright and shining lights were perhaps Shirn and Barker. McVicker starred for Monongahela. Johnson for Charleroi and McMinn for Monongahela played good games at goal The lineup

Monongahela—7.		Charleroi—5.
Keys	First Rush.	Shirn
Hoskins	Second Rush	Shearer
McVicker	Center	Barker
Slater	Halfback	Means
McMinn	Goal	Johnson

Goals—Shearer 4, Barker 2, Hoskins 1, Keys 2, McVicker, Hoskins 2, Shirn 6 Stops—Johnson 42, McMinn 32. Referee—Slater Fouls—Charleroi—2

REPORT OF MONEY RECEIVED FOR SUFFERERS

A report of the amount of subscriptions for the Italians suffering from the earthquake of a few weeks ago at Messina, and Calabra, is made today. This is from Frank Riva. It is as follows.

Amount of last balance	$395 00
Meli Giovanni	.50
Bonini Leone	1.00
Marchinetti Federico	1.00
Celaschi Quiro	1 00
Ablondi Vinenzo	.50
Marchinetti Filippo	.50
Marchinetti Angelo	.50
Carcelli Lorenzo	.50
Avri Giuliano	.25
Pesci Pietro	.25
Vecondi Corrino	.25
Zambelli Ercolino	.25
Zeroni Guilio	.25
Cash	.50
Total	$7.25
Donations left at the Bank of Charleroi	$15.00
Total to date	$402.25

Advance Sale Fot Graustark.

Seats will be placed on sale Saturday morning, Feb. 6th at 9 a. m. for Graustark. Geo. Barr McCutcheon's thrilling romantic play which will be presented here for the first time at the Monessen theatre, Thursday Feb. 11th. afternoon and night.

This is positively guaranteed by the management to be the same identical company and massive scenic production that recently played engagements in Philadelphia, Pittsburg, and other cities of the east

The book has been widely read and judging by the interest displayed in the engagement a packed house is assured.

ELECTION OF THE MINOR OFFICIALS AT INDIANAPOLIS

It is stated that L. T. Lewis the one elected for President of the United Mine Workers, has received a majority of 16,000 votes over his opponent Mr. Walker. It was at first thought that Walker had the election by the opening of the ballots proved this to be a wrong impression. Yesterday officers were elected. They are as follows as shown by the figures of the official election board.

Mossop, Ohio; Harry Baker, Iowa, and Patrick Fitzsimmons, Pennsylvania.

T. J. LEWIS

Tellers Wm. Young, Pennsylvania, and Arthur Blakely, Arkansas.

Delegates to American Federation of Labor—T. L. Lewis, Ohio John Mitchell Illinois, J. B. Walker, Illinois W. B Wilson Pennsylvania J. P White, Iowa C. W Savage Ohio and Frank W. Hayes, Illinois.

With this article is published the cut of Mr. Lewis the elected president of the Mine Workers. Mr. Lewis is an Ohio man, but was born in Pennsylvania He is an ex-Democratic voter.

GRAND JURY HUSTLES THINGS

The grand jury work at Washington moved along rapidly yesterday the majority of the cases being of a minor nature. A large number of true bills were returned and a few ignored. An unusual spectacle in court yesterday afternoon was a husband and wife and little son all lined up in front of the bar. The child was not a defendant, but the father and mother were.

The defendants were James Barnedie and Maria Barnedia, both charged with selling liquor without license. They entered pleas of guilty. Under the old common law where the wife commits a crime under the coercion of her husband, the court permitted a stet to be entered in the case against her, upon her paying the costs and in the case against the husband he was sentenced to pay the costs, fine of $500 and undergo imprisonment in the county jail for three months. The defendants ran a boarding house at Canonsburg and the wife had sold beer to the boarders. Constable Miller was the private prosecutor.

Mike Alick, a foreigner and unable to understand English, entered a plea of guilty to the charge of obstructing the execution of a legal process and assault and battery. The trouble occurred at Ellsworth. There was trouble at one of the houses and when the officer went to make an arrest Alick interferred and went after the officer with a poker. Alick was sentenced to pay the costs, fine of $1 and undergo imprisonment in the workhouse for four months.

NEW BOILER PLANT TO BE INSTALLED

Workmen began on Tuesday to prepare foundations at the Gastonville power plant, preparatory to installing a new boiler plant, and a new 150 K. W. regenerator, with which to furnish additional power for Cincinnati and Coal Bluff mines. It was found that this addition was necessary on account of the large amount of power required to run the new fan recently installed at Mingo. Work on the improvement will be pushed with all speed, as both mines are badly in need of the additional power.

DIES FROM BURNS AFTER SUFFERING FOR SEVEN WEEKS

After suffering for about two months as the result of terrible burns, Miss Emma Drum, daughter of R. B. Drum, superintendent of the Vesta coal mine, succumbed yesterday. After the first two weeks it was believed the burns would prove fatal and it was only through a display of remarkable vitality that the young woman survived her injuries this long.

About seven weeks ago Miss Drum's clothing came in contact with the flames in a small stove at the Drum home. Almost instantly she was enveloped in fire. Her dress was almost entirely burned from her body before the flames could be extinguished and herself rescued from what appeared certain death. She got along well for two weeks when blood poison developed and since then her case has been almost hopeless. The doctors in attendance did all possible but could not save her from death.

Miss Drum is the eldest of seven sons and daughters, hers is and the first death in the family. Besides her parents, the brothers and sisters who survive are Ed. C., formerly of Charleroi, Cliff, Elton, Ray, Leslie and Dora. She was a member of the Methodist church and of the Friday Afternoon club. In the latter club hers is the first death.

The funeral will be at the late home on Friday morning at 10 o'clock, after which the body will be taken to the Richard cemetery near Dravosburg for interment. Rev. Cameron of Vanceville and Rev. Mabey will be the officiating ministers.

Enter ains at Cards.

At her home on Washington avenue on Wednesday evening Mrs. C Edward Rowan entertained at cards. The evening was delightfully spent with the playing of euchre. Honors were awarded and refreshments were served.

BILL FOR REPEAL OF MERCANTILE TAX

In the State Legislature yesterday Auditor General Robert K. Young in pursuance with the request of the Legislature, submitted to the House a report showing the cost of collecting the mercantile tax, together with other information desired. This cost was with other information desired. This cost is more than one-tenth of the whole amount, a large portion of which is spent for advertising, as against the 50 to 75 per centum as alleged as the cost of collection.

At the same time the repealing measure calculated to deprive the state of the revenue gained by this measure was introduced by Representative Edgar R Kiess of Lycoming county.

Concerning the proposed repeal of the mercantile tax laws, Representative Kiess said:

"In my campaign I promised the merchants of my district that I would support a repealer of the mercantile tax. I am not in favor of reducing the revenues of the State, but I think they ought to be raised in another way and not by levying this tax upon the merchants"

Lowe-Brounce.

At the home of the brides parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Brounce, on Washington avenue last evening occurred the wedding of Miss Lilly Mae Brounce to Mr. Robert T. Lowe of Donora. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G G Kerr of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church in the presence of the members of the two families. The attendants were Miss Helene Brounce a sister of the bride and Mr. Louis Leslie Road. After the performance of the ceremony a supper was served to the couple and the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowe will reside in Donora. The groom is employed as an engineer in the steel mill at that place.

James J. Greggerson will lecture is to be," at the Cooperative hall on Sunday afternoon, at 3 o'clock.

Messrs. Ray Kent and Roy Richards, and Misses Elsie Crill and Allie Mellabone attended the play, "The Thief" at the Nixon theatre, Pittsburg, last night.

ALL CHARLEROI HOTELS ARE GRANTED LIQUOR LICENSES

SPIELMAN CASE COMES UP TODAY

The case of Max Spielman, of New York city who was held for a court trial a few weeks ago by Justice of the Peace E. E. Rice, of Charleroi, on a charge of trying to swindle the [illegible] amount claimed for a trunk, $800 the check on which it is alleged was stolen by him, is due to come before the grand jury at Washington today. D. C. Whitlatch, the baggage agent here and George Stewart the extra agent and Finley Weir were called as witnesses and are in Washington today

MEMBERS OF LOCAL SOCIETY ATTEND

Members of the local circle of the Companions of the Forest attended the banquet and installation of members at Pittsburg last night. Mrs. Evelyn Sawyer of Boston, Mass., was the honor guest. Over one hundred new members were initiated into various circles. Those who attended from Charleroi were the following Mrs John Kuth Mrs. William Crawford, Mrs. Cecelia Kirk Miss Anna Barrett and Miss Mary Moore Mrs Anderson of Louisville was also among those that went from here.

NEW TIPPLE WILL BE READY SOON

The new tipple which is being erected by the Zondal Coal company at Pricedale will be finished and ready for use in about three weeks. This tipple will greatly improve the methods of the handling of the coal at this place.

Extensive repairs are being made at the Somers No. 2 plant near Belle Vernon and it will be put in operation before March 1.

MANY WILL ATTEND FROM CHARLEROI

On Friday afternoon there will several delegates go from this place to Monongahela to attend the Baptist convention which is to be held in Blankenbeuler's hall there, and in the evening there will a number go. The evening service it is thought will be the better of the two, and will be largely attended.

APPROPRIATION BILLS ARE INTRODUCED

In the State Legislature yesterday Representative Bentley of this county introduced a bill of appropriations for the following. Morganza Reform school $407,048. Monongahela Memorial hospital $30,000. Mr. Carothers also of this county introduced an appropriation bill for the sum of $12,500 for the Washington city hospital.

Leopold Stasson has left for Point Marion where he will remain for some time.

Walfred Will Be Permitted To Sell, This Making The Seventh.

SAME NUMBER AS LAST

Forty-Eight Applicants Are Successful. No More No Less Than Previously.

Judge J. F. Taylor late yesterday afternoon handed down his decisions in the license applications. All of Charleroi's hotels were included in this. There was considerable disappointment on the part of those who were refused but the general sentiment among the members of the bar, who have been watching the license court this year was that Judge Taylor had acted very fairly and had good grounds for refusing the ones that he did. The few charges made in the licensed houses counter balance each other so that there are just as many licenses this year as there was last year, the entire number granted out of the 70 applicants being 48.

The new ones are William R. Gaut, Charleroi, retail Jacob Will, McDonald, retail John T. Starr, West Brownsville, retail, and W. B. Riscen, Donora, retail. To counter balance this the following were refused Paul Schaeffer, McDonald, retail; Walter S. Bower, East Bethlehem, retail. Geroge Muehlbauer, West Brownsville, retail, Joseph Watson, Union township, and George S Bentley, Union township.

There is difficulty in the case of Joseph Good, of West Brownsville, whose application has been held over by request. If this is finally granted there will be a total of thirty-three retail licensed houses and sixteen wholesale, brewers and distillers in the county, as against the same number last year.

Judge Taylor handed down but one opinion with his decisions, it being in the case of Harry B. Hayden, of Monongahela.

The licenses granted from Charleroi follow: William H. Coles, Arthur W. Day, George F. Rylands, George L. West, George Myford, Wm. H. Zellers, and William R. Gaut.

Among those refused for retail license were Edward L. Miller for East Bethlehem township, and Mrs. Mary Noble of Carroll township.

The Independent Brewing company was granted a license for Charleroi. Two were refused, Victor Abbatti of Monongahela and the Washington Distilling company.

Judge Taylor is to be commended for his methods in the handling of the license court this year. The granting of the license to William R. Gaut for the Walfred hotel is pleasing to a large number. Mr. Gaut is popular, and he is known as a thorough hotel man, and one capable of conducting an up to-date hostelry

James Shearer and son Fred Shearer of near Fayette City are guests today at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Reeves on Fallowfield avenue.

Martin and Floren Blaker of near Waynesburg are guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Blaker of Second street.

Mrs L. S. Jack and daughter Alberta left last evening for Pittsburg to visit with friends.

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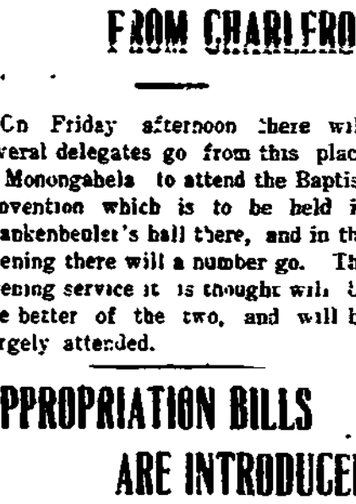

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Feb. 4 In History.

1783—Destructive earthquakes in Italy and Sicily.

1846—The United States bank, an institution chartered by Pennsylvania after it had been abolished by government action, suspended finally. Its entire capital had been sunk.

1901—Centennial anniversary of the installation of John Marshall as chief justice of the United States celebrated throughout the Union.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 5:16, rises 7:01; moon rises 4:45 p. m.; 3:17 a. m., eastern time, full moon in constellation Cancer, opposite the sun; 1 a. m., Jupiter's satellite No. 2 begins [illegible] transit across the planet's face.

GOOD EVENING.

It is hard for us to learn that all do not think as ourselves, and that in many cases our trying to impress upon others the necessity of doing things as we do, is merely a demonstration of our narrowness.—Tanfal.

The Child Labor Bill

The child labor bill, upon which the State Child Labor Association has been working for several months, and which was introduced in the House of Representatives Monday night by Samuel W. Salus, Representative from the Third Philadelphia District and formerly Assistant District Attorney of Philadelphia [illegible] regulate child labor in all forms of employment except on the farm and in domestic service and is regarded as a very moderate measure. Aside from soft coal mines, where twelve-year old child laborers are now legal, the Salus Bill does not change the present age for children's work—fourteen years. It merely requires parents to prove that their children have reached that age by producing some record of birth or baptism where this is possible. This proof of age is to be presented to the school officials in each city or town and they issue the certificates. The provisions of the bill in regard to certificates and their method of issuance are taken verbatim from the Educational Commission's bill, with which the Salus Bill is in perfect accord.

The Child Labor Association has another bill, to be introduced in a few days, relating to the length of the fourteen-year old child's working day, and prohibiting employment at night.

Lewis Elected.

From statements of the Miners convention at Indianapolis it seems that Thomas Lewis, the former international president of the United Mine Workers has been reelected despite the announcements shortly after the ballots were taken to the opposite effect, that Mr. Walker, his opponent had been the one chosen. To be frank, [illegible] Walker elected, and a glance through past issues will show this, but if Mr. Lewis is to be the president, we have all faith in him, and are sure that he will do his best for the miners. It is to be hoped that the differences between Mr. Feehan, president of this district and the miners with Mr. Lewis are patched up, and things run smoothly for the next year. There have been grave charges made in the past against the National president but as to the truth of them we cannot say. At any rate it is not for us to discuss these at this time. There have been numerous clashes between Feehan and Lewis, and our own man, Mr. Feehan, has not always come out behind. In fact, he has come out ahead in many of the contentions. Mr. Feehan is popular in this district, and he is especially well liked in Charleroi, where he has a host of friends.

The Right Action.

While it is not the wish to place Monessen in the light of an example, we think that the county officials of Westmoreland did right in taking the action which makes the borough or city pay all the expenses for the keep of prisoners sent up for petty charges. It is a thing altogether too common for persons to be sent up to jail and for court trials on trumped up charges, and trivial matters, by some of the justices of the peace, for the pure and simple reason of getting their costs out of it. There are many who will not hesitate to send a man to jail if they know there is something in it for them, and it is in this way that the jails are partly filled. In this part of the country where there are so many foreigners it is an easy matter for an official to have him arrested and sent to jail.

Electric Sparks

There is hint of a bandmasters' dilemma over music appropriate to the coming inauguration. Of course the Georgia leaders will rise to the memory of a late occasion with inspiring renditions of "Carve Dat 'Possum!"

For posting a ballot on the question of the meanest man in town a Mount Vernon cigar dealer is fined $5. This is interference not with the freedom but with the proclamation of opinion. Probably the penalty has changed no mind.

Perhaps the Czar wants those Wright airships so that he can take his constitutional without disturbing the terrorists.

Mendelssohn was born a hundred years ago and was thought to have talent, but as he never wrote a "Salome" he is, speaking musically, a "dead one."

We build floating forts now. How long before we shall build floating hospitals inured to take the weak and sick into summer seas on the approach of winter? Is it not nobler to spend millions on the expectation of taking it?

During a recent fight in his aeroplane Mr. Wright suffered severely from cold. And now the inventors may as well set to work to devise some method of supplying the coming demand for steamheat areoplanes.

In the West and South it has become the fashion to enact legislation specifying the length of sheets on hotel beds, but, for some reason or other, no laws prescribing the number of bristles in a hotel bairbrush have yet been passed.

Progress is shown on the fact that two sons of Governor Comer of Alabama assaulted the editor of the Montgomery Advertiser with their fists. This is an amelioration over shooting him, according to the precedent of a neighboring State. But even the improvement makes newspaper life in the South highly strenuous.

The Fairmont Parkway in Philadelphia was already celebrated as laid out to be broad and expensive. But the Mayor of that city wants it widened still further. Someone must have abutting land to sell the city at a good figure.

When white students of the California University set upon and beat a Japanese student on the ground that the Japanese are not civilized it certainly demonstrates a lack of civilization somewhere.

There is no prejudice in this country against the automobile. Neither is there against the locomotive engine. But there is an emphatic feeling that the former is as much out of place on the common highway as the latter would be.

The legislature will do the people of this state a great favor if it will amend the registration act so as to compel citizens to declare their party affiliations when they register.—New Castle Herald.

The square piano has four legs,
The grand has three to its frame,
The upright has no legs at all,
But it gets there just the same.—The Musician.

Lover

Lover, Pa. Feb. 4.—Mrs. Henry Carson is spending a few days in Charleroi with her daughter, Mrs. David Duvall.

John B. Carson and wife of Ohio, are visiting relatives here and also attended the funeral of Mrs. Carson's brother, Jefferson Duvall, son of J. P. Duvall, near Jonestown.

Wm. Saulters and family of Charleroi, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Saulters' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Allmon.

Miss Stella Robison who was quite sick last week is befer.

Mrs. Henry Furnier of Charleroi, is spending a few days at the home of Henry Carson.

Mrs. Samuel Hopewell and children and her sister, Miss Allie Harrison are visiting at the home of their brother, John Harrison of Uniontown.

Mr. and Mrs Ira Duvall of Charleroi, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of the former's father, T. R. Duvall.

The Maple Creek Telephone Co. have restrung all their main lines here

Rev. Settles of Morgantown, W. Va., will preach at the Christian church next Sunday morning and evening. Mr. Settles will only make one more trip after this one as he expects to move from Morgantown to Indiana about March.

Mrs. Delia Bowser, of Fredericktown, who has been visiting her parent's Mr. and Mrs. W. Carroll, near Garwood has returned home.

Bowman Horn of Donora, was a recent guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J Horr.

The White Pigeon school was closed a few days last week owing to the illness of the teacher, Miss Weir.

Mr. and Mrs. Allmon were callers at California Wednesday.

Speers

Speers, Feb. 4.—Mrs. Charles E. Seiler returned to her home in Uniontown after a few days visit with her sister, Mrs. Park Jackman of this place.

Master Fred Collins is home again from a week's trip spent on the Power rivers with his uncle, Captain W. C. Sansom.

Charles Edmonds and wife of Zanesville, Ohio, are visiting friends and relatives in Fairhope and Brownsville.

Mrs. Charles Corbet has returned to her home after a two months visit with her parents at Reynoldsville.

Henry Lewis of North Belle Vernon, is ill of the grippe.

George Green of this place is working as second engineer on the Steamer Twilight.

The report of molten metal being poured into the river at a Monessen mill was distinctly heard at Fayette City and started another of those "quick action" reports of a great explosion.

Much Discussed Play.

The much discussed play "Graustark" will be presented at the Coyle theatre, Friday evening, Feb. 12 and local book lovers and theatre-goers will have an opportunity of seeing and judging for themselves the dramatized version of Geo. Barr McCutcheon's famous story. The author's readers are a legion and they rally to the support of the play as a unit. The opportunity for dramatic effect in "Graustark" is unparalled in the history of stage productions where successful novels were the source of supplying the plot. James W. Castle who staged the original production, was quick to see the possibilities of this startling story and arranged for the theatrical rights, with the result that today this romantic drama is the most talked of play in the realm of theatredom.

MEETINGS AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Last night at the Baptist church Rev. Palmer the pastor spoke on the topic, "The Nearness of God." The service was interesting and Rev. Palmer's talk was much enjoyed. The prayer meeting of fifteen minutes before the regular session was a feature.

The meetings which have been held during the past three weeks will be closed tonight. Tomorrow night several members of the local church will attend the Baptist convention at Monongahela.

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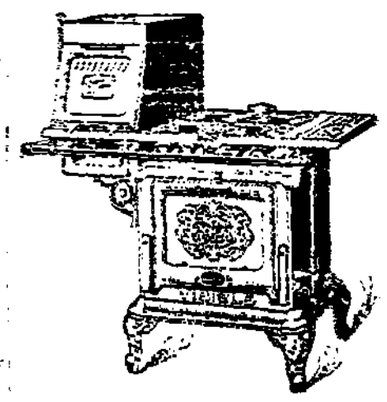

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QUAKE DESTROYS CITY

Chilapa, Mexico, Town of 15,000, Shaken and Burned.

Mexico City, March 28.—Chilapa, a town of 15,000 inhabitants in the state of Guerrero, has been shaken by an earthquake and burned.

The shocks, two in number, were followed by fires, which, originating in a dozen places among the tumbling buildings, joined in a conflagration that swept the town. Only meager facts of the disaster are known here, and what has been learned has dribbled in from half a dozen sources more or less authentic.

Beloit, Wis., March 28.—The roaring well has "made good." March 10 it was found that the phenomenon on the farm of Charles Luthers, northeast of Beloit, was active. The well roared for several weeks before the great earthquake at San Francisco and the curious sound of rumbling, together with wind from the mouth of the well, ceased at the precise hour when the shock struck the California city. On the day a little more than a week ago when the well resumed its clamor residents of Rock county predicted a calamity. It came at Chilapa, Mexico.

The earthquake which is reported to have destroyed the Mexican town of Chilapa undoubtedly is the same disturbance that shook the island of St. Thomas, which was recorded at Washington, and which caused considerable alarm in Mexico City. At Washington two shocks were recorded by the instruments of the weather bureau. They were approximately at a distance of 2,400 miles. The first took place at 6:09 p. m. and the second at 10:54 p. m. In addition to this, there was recorded on the afternoon of March 25 at Washington evidences of a strong shock believed to be in the same locality.

The shocks in Mexico City cracked walls all over the city. The theatre crowds rushed to the streets and for a short time there was considerable apprehension. No great damage was done.

Not Disturbed.

Nassau William Senior, the English political economist, was a frequent guest of Lord Lansdowne at Lansdowne House and on one occasion was busily writing, quite abstracted as usual, in a room full of company when Tom Moore was singing. The scratch of his pen was not an agreeable accompaniment, and at last one of the company asked very politely, "You are not fond of music, Mr. Senior?" "No," he replied, "but it does not disturb me in the least. Pray go on."

Careful About Worry.

A physician was recently attending a patient whose husband came to see him concerning her condition and greeted him with the words, "Mr Irving, do you think there is any need for any unnecessary anxiety about my wife?"—Argonaut.

POCKETBOOK HALTS TRAIN

German Woman Furnishes Bit of Comedy for Passengers.

Freeport, Pa., Oct. 29.—A westbound train on the West Penn railroad had just left Kiskiminetas Junction when a German woman announced to Conductor Frank Dickson that she had left her pocketbook containing a large sum of money, at the station and demanded that she be let off immediately.

Dickson stopped the train and the woman gathered up her bundles. When she reached the door she decided to look again. While the conductor suggested that she either get off and wait for the next train or continue her journey, ignoring the comments of impatient passengers she slowly went through her bags and finally, with an exclamation of joy, fished the missing pocketbook from a paper sack.

Triumphantly holding it up she said: "I vos all right now; you can go ahet."

Nan and the Bucket.

There is one particular fever of nonsense which the Princeton Tiger claims the credit of having originated, for in the November issue, 1902, appeared the following verse:

There once was a man from Nantucket
Who kept all his cash in a bucket,
But his daughter, named Nan,
Ran away with a man,
.....

For the next few months Nan, her father and her newly acquired husband encountered a series of the most astonishing adventures in every known hamlet in the country which could be converted into limerick form by the brains of newspaper and magazine writers from sea to sea. By the time Nan came back with a dozen or so additional verses tacked on to her there is reason to wonder in the face of the ordeals to which she had been subjected whether the pecuniary advantage gained by absconding with that bucket repaid her for all that she had been through.—Roy S. Durstine in Bohemian Magazine.

How He Saved Money.

A country politician in Pennsylvania managed to get elected to the legislature at Harrisburg for one term. When he came back he built himself a fine house, costing about $20,000. His old neighbors, who knew he had no money before he went to Harrisburg and who knew the salary of a Pennsylvania legislator, were curious to discover where the returned statesman got means to build the house. So one day a committee waited on the man who built the house, and the spokesman said:

"Jim, it may be none of our business to your thinking, but we think you owe it to us who sent you to the legislature to explain where you got the money with which you built this house. You didn't have a cent before you went to Harrisburg and owed everybody in the place. How about it?"

"Why," said the builder, "it's simple enough. You see, when we were in Harrisburg we didn't keep a hired girl."—Argonaut.

Why Negroes Like Watermelons.

The humorists always associate the African with the watermelon, assuming that the taste of the colored man for his favorite dainty arises from his life in the southern states, where the melon vine grows like a weed. As a fact, however, the African taste for the watermelon is hereditary. The vine is a native of Africa, where it is found wild in the great central plains of the continent, and has also been cultivated for many ages. In Egypt the melons grow along the Nile, rival those of southeastern Missouri. The melons mentioned by the Israelites as being among the good things they had in Egypt were undoubtedly watermelons, for in the wall paintings about the time of the exodus the melon vine is represented, and in one case a long procession of slaves is depicted, each bearing on his shoulder a huge, dark green watermelon.—Washington Herald.

Where the Shoe Pinched.

It was easy for Mr. Randall to bear with his wife's remarkable decision of character at all times, but her obstinacy he found most difficult to endure.

"I can't quite comprehend her," he confided to his brother after one trying experience. "Many years as we have been married, she still surprises me. Why, in the same day, sometimes in the same hour, she will settle a disturbance in the kitchen, put the children [illegible] where they belong, adjust some matter in the church and then, when her judgment ought to be at its best, display the most astounding obstinacy in attempting to regulate my goings out or comings in. It's—it's incomprehensible."

Moslem Prayer Rugs.

Prayer rugs were evidently invented for the purpose of providing the worshipers with one absolutely clean place on which to offer prayers. It is not lawful for a Moslem to pray on any place not perfectly clean, and unless each one has his own special rug he is not certain that the spot has not been polluted. It does not matter to these followers of Mohammed how unclean a rug that is on the floor may be, because over it they place the prayer rug when their devotions begin.

An Eye Experiment.

The two eyes really see two objects. If the two forefingers be held, one at the distance of one foot, the other two feet in front of the eyes, and the forefinger will be observed, one on each side. If the latter figure be regarded, two phantoms of the nearest finger will be observed mounting guard, one on either side.

THE WORLD DRYING UP.

Possibility That the Human Race Will Die of Thirst.

We are to die of thirst. Comparatively few persons know the suffering involved in a thirst for which there is no help at hand. The consuming thirst more than the pain of any wound by thirst is the doom forecast for the race by grim scientists. Geologists find that the fresh water supply of the globe is failing. They have data which point to the gradual withdrawal of the streams and other bodies of water from the surface. Both in Africa and central Asia and, indeed, in all the great levels the water beds are drying up. A great number of lakes well known in the historical age have entirely disappeared. For example, Lake Chiroua, in Africa, has vanished within recent years, as has also Lake Ngami, discovered by Livingstone. Lake Tchad is more than half dried up. For centuries bodies of water in central Asia have been evaporating and the deserts extending. Where 2,000 years ago great cities stood in east Turkestan there are found only vast and depressing stretches of sand. The river Tarim, once a principal Asiatic route, is almost gone, and Lob-Nor, formerly four times the area of Lake Geneva, is now but a shallow marsh. The same sad conditions are noted in European Russia. Novgorod, the most [illegible] tracted realm, was surrounded by water in the middle ages. While we may be sure that the fate which the geologists suggest for humanity is very far away, the facts recited to show the drying up process are convincing proofs of the need of preserving our forests with more care.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

A Test Case.

"I'm a 'beauty doctor,'" announced the stranger with the hand satchel full of cosmetics and massage machines. "Do you think I could get any practice around here?"

"Yeou make ugly things pretty, don' yeou?" drawled the old farmer in the speckled shirt.

"That's my business, sir."

"Waal, if yeou'll go down back of my barn yeou'll find an old slate colored cow with one eye and one horn and wrinkles like canals all over her face. She's the ugliest cow in seven states and if yeou can make her pretty I'll agree that yeou be a 'beauty doctor' and give yeou a dollar."—Chicago News.

The Buckboard.

"There are few persons who know how the name of 'buckboard' came to be applied to a vehicle," says a writer. "It was away back in the twenties when the transportation of goods, wares and merchandise was almost entirely by wagon. A Dr. Buck was then in charge of military stores en route to army posts in the southwest. In east Tennessee much difficulty was experienced by reason of the rough roads, and there were frequent mishaps, mostly from wagons overturning. Dr. Buck overhauled the outfit, and, abandoning the wagon bodies, laid boards were set directly on the axles or hung below, and the stores were loaded in such a manner that there were no further delays from breakdowns, and the stores safely reached their destinations. In special emergency, too, the load could be shifted or taken off in a hurry. Dr. Buck's example was followed, especially when roads were rough, and soon much hauling was done by the use of wheels, axles and boards only. Now we have the buckboard, both in carriage and [illegible] forms, conforming closely to the original idea, though few suspect the source of it."—Chicago News.

Technical Swearing.

The late Sir John Millais was a very keen fisherman. He used to tell the story of an old man who was his attendant during a day's sport in the north of England. The old man was full of local gossip and small scandal, and where the natural supply failed him he was clearly able to manufacture enough of his own to go on with. "I were out with the bishop yesterday," said the old man, referring to a popular church dignitary, who is also a good fisherman. "Ah," replied Millais, "he's a good man!" "Well," continued the old fellow, "'e may be, but 'e do swear a bit when 'e's fishin'." "Oh, nonsense!" replied Millais, "I don't believe that." The old man insisted that he was right, however. "I'll give you an instance," he said. "I was standin' 'longside o' the bishop the same as I might be aside o' you, when 'e'd got a big fellow at the end of his line that was pretty nigh pullin' me off 'is feet, and I turns to 'is lordship and I says, 'E pulls —— 'ard, don't he?' and the bishop says, 'Yes, he does.' Well, now, ain't that swearin'?"—London M. A. P.

St. Patrick and the Roosters.

St. Patrick's reputation as a snake charmer is known all the world over, but what he did to the roosters is a page of history less disseminated. The people of a small district in the heart of County Sligo, it seems, which strenuously resented the intrusion of the Scotch Saint (St. Patrick) had become exceedingly domineering, and it was decided to put a damper on his progress. He said to his hostess, "Wake me when the cock crows." When he had gone to bed she whispered this command to the neighbors, and all the populace concealed their roosters under small creels so they could not raise their heads high enough to crow. In consequence thereof the saint overslept himself and was furious when he discovered the trick that had been played on him. He laid his everlasting curse on the roosters of that district, and they have never crowed since.

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DELEGATES WILL ATTEND JUVENILE MEETING

The Central committee of the Juvenile Court association is arranging for a public meeting to be held in the court house on Friday of this week, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. It is expected that delegates from Charleroi, Monongahela, McDonald, California, Donora, Canonsburg, Claysville and West Alexander will be present.

Louis Beigel is transacting business today in Pittsburg.

MUST HAVE ASTONISHED BRUIN.

Hunter Dropped from Limb and Brute Shot Up in the Air.

"I never fooled a bear but once in my life," said an old California hunter. "I was hunting quail with a light gun one day, when I suddenly met a very large bear. I was willing to pass without speaking, but Bruin was mad about something and insisted on a fight.

"So I let him have both barrels, and then cut for a tree. The shot dazed him for a minute, and then he gave chase, and pretty soon came clawing up after me. There was a long, projecting limb on one side, and when I saw him coming, I got out to the extreme end, although it bent like a reed under my weight.

"Out came the bear after me, slowly and carefully, and with every step the branch bent lower. When the bear got within two yards of me I was within ten feet of the ground. Then I dropped down, and, as the bear shot up 20 feet in the air, I made for home as fast as I could run."

DON'T WANT THEM ON A JURY.

Lawyers Have a Prejudice Against Curly-Haired Men.

It is not generally known that there is a well-defined prejudice against curly-haired men when it comes to choosing a jury. When asked to explain the objection to curly-haired men, a prominent lawyer said:

"When I was just starting life my legal mentor inculcated that idea very forcibly into me. He said that curly-haired men almost invariably had been the pampered darlings of their parents, and in their youth had been so accustomed to having their own way that they had grown up in the belief that everybody on earth was wrong except themselves. In this way the seeds of opposition were sown, and as men they made it a point to disagree with everybody and everything. If every other man on a jury voted one way they would vote the other. They usually are as stubborn as the day is long. Hence a curly-haired man never goes on a jury if I can prevent it."

Not Up to the Standard.

Ibsen has invaded the sacred precincts of the select boarding school for young ladies. He has entered disguised as a "course in northern literature." He may be found even in the fashionable New York finishing schools, where the budding social leaders go to the luncheon and recess. In one of these establishments a blonde beauty taking the Ibsen course recently remarked to her instructor: "I don't think Ibsen knew much about dramatic art. I've just been to see 'The Master Builder,' and they wore the same costumes all the way through."

The astonished instructor swallowed quickly and responded: "Don't judge Ibsen by one play. In 'Hedda Gabler' they wear morning, afternoon and evening clothes. It's really quite dressy!"

Imitating His Elders.

Young folks are quick to pattern after their elders, bad habits as well as good. A little Rochester boy was sent on an errand by his mother to the grocery store, and when he came back he was contentedly eating a banana. "Where did you get your banana?" asked his mother. "Bought it," he replied, quietly. "But I gave you no money to buy one," she objected. "Oh, well," he said, nonchalantly, "I told Mr. Brown to let me have two, and I would drop in and pay for them next week." That was beginning the credit system at an early age.

Table Talk.

Old Gobsa Golde looked thoughtfully across the centerpiece of mauve orchids at his son.

"Well, Scattergood," he said, bending forward to light his cigar at one of the shaded candles, "your course in life will be far easier, I can see, than mine was."

Young Scattergood Golde smiled with good-humored condescension.

"How so, governor?" he patronizingly inquired.

"I," said the old man, "began at the bottom and worked up. You have begun at the top and will slide down."

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HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Dynamite Explodes Under Gen. Wells's Bed But Does Not Kill.

Telluride, Col., March 30.—Eluding the guard stationed at the Smuggler Union mine at Pandora, two miles south of Telluride, and the searchlight which is constantly thrown about the premises during the night from the high tower of the mill as a precautionary measure, an unknown person gained access to the residence of General Bulkeley Wells, general manager of the Smuggler Union Mining company, and planted dynamite under his bed. The dynamite was exploded about 2 o'clock in the morning when the intended victim was asleep. He was hurled against the ceiling and alighted under a mass of debris, but escaped with a few scratches and bruises and impaired hearing.

Although a systematic search has been made by Sheriff Fitzpatrick and deputies, aided by hundreds of citizens, no clue has been found to the perpetrator of the deed. One man who is charged with having said that Wells should be killed is being held on suspicion.

In the same building where the attempt to kill General Wells was made [illegible] eral Wells as general manager, was assassinated six years ago while playing a game of cards with a number of friends at night. The man who killed Collins fired a heavy load of buckshot through the window into his back.

Canning's Wedding.

I was [illegible] there, and Pitt, Canning and Mr. Leigh, who was to read the service, dined with me before the marriage, which was to take place in Brook street. We had a coach to drive there, and as we went through that narrow part, near what was then Swallow street, a fellow drew up against the wall to avoid being run over and, peering into the coach, recognized Pitt and saw Mr. Leigh, who was in full canonicals, sitting opposite him.

The fellow exclaimed, "What, Billy Pitt, and with a parson too?"

I said, "He thinks you are going to Tyburn to be hanged privately," which was rather impudent of me, but Pitt was too much absorbed, I believe, in thinking of the marriage to be angry.

After the ceremony he was so nervous that he could not sign as witness, and Canning whispered to me to sign without waiting for him. He regarded the marriage as the one thing needed to give Canning the position necessary to lead a party, and this was the cause of his anxiety about it, which I would not have believed had I not witnessed it, though I knew how warm was the regard he had for Canning. Had Canning been Pitt's own son I do not think he could have been more interested in all that related to his marriage.—"Letters of John Hookham Frere."

A Lesson In Grammar.

In a certain mountainous region the teachers are appointed with little question concerning their grammatical orthodoxy. Occasionally, however, a wave of school reform sweeps through the valleys, and undesired examinations are thrust upon embarrassed pedagogues.

It was during one of these periods of intellectual discomfort that the following sentence was given: "The bird flew over the house." Accompanying it was the query, "Is 'flew' a regular or an irregular verb?"

One teacher after another shook his head hopelessly despite the slow, thought inspiring fashion in which the examiner repeated the perplexing fact that "The — bird — flew — over — the — house."

Finally a man rose in the rear, and, with the assurance of one who puts his trust in logic and a practical knowledge of natural history, he volunteered a solution. Said he:

"If that bird which flew over the house was a wild goose, it went in a straight, regular line, so the verb is regular. But if it was a peckwood that flew over the house, then it went in a crooked, zigzag line, and so the verb is irregular."

All but the grammar bound examiner were satisfied with this sensible and rational explanation. — Youth's Companion.

Killing a King.

In all monarchies the killing of the king or emperor, the Law Journal of London points out, "is perhaps the gravest form of high treason." The Journal adds: "In one country, Italy, sentence of death cannot be imposed, and in Portugal we believe that capital punishment is not used, if not abolished. Under the law of treason of the United Kingdom, which has been applied to most of the king's dominions abroad, with or without statutory modifications, the killing of the king is a capital offence by the statute of treasons. It is there described as 'compassing or imagining the death of our lord the king.' By later legislation (of 1800) the elaborate provisions special to trials for treason do not apply to assassination of the sovereign or a direct attempt on his life, and such offenses are tried in the same manner as willful murder. The result is that in substance, though not in form, the killing of the sovereign is triable and punishable in the same manner as the willful murder of a subject, but the crown may direct the execution to be by decapitation instead of hanging."

An Explanation.

The passionate rhythms of "The Merry Widow" waltz floated through the office, and the boss looked up from his desk impatiently.

"Frederic," he said, "I wish you wouldn't whistle at your work."

"I ain't wortin', sir," the office boy replied calmly. "I'm only just whistlin'."—New York Press.

THOUGHT HE WANTED SNUFFBOX

Suspicion of Piper Not Very Flattering to His Grace.

At a dinner given by the marquis of Dare, among the guests was a well-known duke who, in full Highland dress, had his piper standing behind his chair. At dessert a very handsome and valuable snuffbox belonging to another of the guests was handed round. When the time came to return it to its owner the snuffbox could not be found anywhere though a very thorough search was made. The duke was specially anxious about it, but with no result. Some months afterwards the duke again donned the kilt for another public occasion—the first time he had worn it since the above dinner—and happening to put his hand into his sporran he, to his utmost astonishment, found there the snuffbox which had been lost at the public dinner. Turning to his piper, the duke said: "Why, this is the snuffbox we were all looking for! Did you not see me put it away in my sporran?" "Yes, your grace," replied the piper, "I did, but I thocht ye wushed tae keep it."—San Francisco Argonaut.

THINKS SOLOMON WAS RIGHT.

"Billy Sanders" Also Believes That Boys Need the Rod.

"Thar never was a boy born into the world that don't have to have the hickory put to him more than once, an' the oftener the better," said Mr. Billy Sanders. "You may think my talk is harsh, but the more I love a boy, the more I wanter see him come under some strong an' heavy hand, bekaze I know it's his only salvation. You may look back on all the youngsters you've know'd, an' you'll find that we ain't got any more wisdom than Solomon, ef as much. He tore the bottom out of the basket in a mighty few words. 'Spar' the rod an' spile the child.' Ef he'd 'a' never said nothin' else, them seven words would 'a' made him the wisest man the world ever seed. No newspaper pargrapher has ever beat it yit. Ef brevity's the sole of whitleather, your Uncle Solomon has got it mighty fine; ef he ain't, you may call me Mabel, an' print in the paper that I've done gone an' eloped wit' a college fiddler named Clarence Raymond." — Joel Chandler Harris, in Uncle Remus' Magazine.

By Appointment.

In the dim-lit drawing room on a keen winter's night sat Sweet Seventeen, smiling entrancingly at Ardent Twenty-One. Sweet Seventeen was uncommonly bewitching and Ardent Twenty-One appallingly earnest.

Gazing intently into the gold-red heart of the great log fire that blazed cheerfully in the grate, he poured forth his passionate address.

"How divine!" murmured Sweet Seventeen.

But the young man frowned and started.

"How divine! My dearest Hilary—"

"Hilary?" he said. "You mean George, pet, do you not?"

The maiden flushed and bit her lip.

"Oh, dear," she said, "how foolish of me! I was thinking that this was Saturday night!"—Tid-Bits.

Balzac in Church Pew.

The woman who had left a volume of Balzac in the church pew on prayer meeting night felt a little bit ashamed when she asked for the book, but the sexton assured her she need not feel that way.

"Many things are left in the church," he said, "and some of them are a whole lot less respectable than Balzac. After each service the pews yield a strange grist of forgotten or discarded articles."

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